APPENDIX C.

Translation of the Kanarese Address read by Mr. Hosur Nanjunda Rao (Landholder and R. M. from Davangere Taluk.)

To.

SIR K. SHESHADRI IYER, K. C. S. I.,
Dewan to His Highness Sriman Maharaja of Mysore.

SIR,

We are all delighted in having listened to your commendable discourse relative to the administration (of the Province). From the time you assumed the Dewanship, the condition of the State has been day by day attaining enlightened prosperity.

In view of the present enlightenment of the administration, (the late) Sir James Gordon and (the late) Mr. Rangacharlu primarily, and yourself, are objects of everlasting memory.

The British Government had been of the opinion that efficient Administrators were rare among Natives. But first, the late Mr. Rangacharlu and now yourself and several high officials of the State, are, by actual conduct of State affairs, not only removing these misgivings but have also become objects of praise by the British.

You and some of your officers have received titles and distinctions from H. H. the Maharaja and the British Government out of their partiality for virtue, in recognition of the devotion to public interests and uprightness in the discharge of public duties which characterise you and your administration, and in appreciation of your measures calculated to secure the increasing prosperity of the country. We trust that these will stimulate and strengthen you to further exertions.

The reputation which the authorities in this State have earned more than the authorities elsewhere, for special interest in their duties and solicitude to earn the peoples' love is, the people are satisfied, attributable to the influence exercised by H. H. the Maharaja and yourself. Various measures for the public good have been suggested in your Address just delivered. We trust that you will also consider and carry out the other measures for the good, both of the people and of the Government, hereinafter mentioned.

(1). No other measure will confer similar benefits on the people as Irrigation projects. We pray therefore that the allotment for Public Works may be increased, and still larger sums spent on remunerative Public Works.

(2). Raiyats principally contribute to the Revenue of the State, and the measure you have adopted to facilitate their obtaining monetary aid in proper time for agricultural purposes, evokes our gratitude. Several good measures are however suggested and discussed, stimulating our desires, but do not become accomplished facts. We trust and hope that this measure will be more fortunate under your special favor and come into effect early.

It was hitherto the rule to select Representatives for this Assembly only for one year. Under this rule, it rarely happened that Representatives selected one year came again in the next year, and therefore there was no incentive on their part to acquire experience and to bestow greater attention on their duties in this Assembly. The alteration in this rule by which membership is to be for three years, is calculated to enhance experience and interest in the business of this Assembly. For the benefits we have derived from these and similar measures, we are grateful to H. H. the Maharaja, and to the British Resident who has a kind regard for this Sarkar, and to yourself.

We pray you to convey to H. H. the Maharaja our sincere loyalty and respects.

H. S. NANJUNDA RAO,

Representative Member and President of the Representative Committee, Mysore.